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## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The sixtieth regular semi-annual meeting of the Southern California Medical Society, held in the Mission Inn at Riverside, May 14 and 15, was a banner meeting in attendance. The following program was successfully carried out and held the interest of the delegates until the last paper was read and discussed:

### Wednesday, 2:00 P. M.

Neurological Complications and Sequelae in Epidemic Influenza.

Dr. Ross Moore, Los Angeles.

Pyelitis.

Dr. H. M. Voorhees, Los Angeles.

Further Observations on the Treatment of Deep Abdominal Lesions with the Roentgen Ray; Special Reference to Fibroid Tumors of the Uterus.

Dr. William B. Bowman, Los Angeles.

### Wednesday, 8:00 P. M.

Etiology and Treatment of Uterine Prolapse.

Dr. J. Craig Neel, San Francisco.

Some Observations on Scurvy, Rickets and Syphilis in Children.

Dr. Hugh K. Berkley, Los Angeles.

The Treatment of Wounds, General and Facial, as Developed in France.

Lt.-Col. A. T. Bazin, D. S. O. C. A. M. C.,  
Montreal, Quebec.

### Thursday, 10:00 A. M.

Congenital Anomalies of the Ear.

Dr. Geo. B. Worthington, San Diego.

Focal Infection in Relation to the Eye.

Dr. C. E. Ide, San Diego.

Surgery of the Nasal Septum vs. Surgery of the Turbinates.

Dr. F. A. Burton, San Diego.

Double Empyema with Report of a Case.

Dr. C. Van Zwalenburg, Riverside.

In addition to the scientific discussions, Thursday afternoon, May 15, was devoted to a general discussion of the plans, purposes, policies and performances of the League for the Conservation of Public Health.

Papers were read by Dr. John H. Graves, Dr. C. D. McGettigan, Dr. Dudley A. Smith, Dr. James Franklin Smith, et al., and the League was heartily endorsed in addresses by Drs. W. T. McArthur, Walter V. Brem, Geo. H. Kress, E. E. Kelly, Harlan Shoemaker and John C. Yates.

Dr. Walter V. Brem won ringing applause of all the delegates when he stated: "The League for the Conservation of Public Health does not represent any particular section, group, department or clique of the ethical medical profession of California, but all sections, groups and departments in particular. It has no interests but the interests of the medical profession as a whole. We have been supine, afflicted by a great inertia and idly watched incompetents profiteer on the health of the public." Dr. Brem gave comparative statistics showing that the raids upon the Medical Practice Act were only the logical result of unopposed attacks of small bands that would prove fruitless against an organized and unified profession. "They call us the Medical Trust," said Dr. Brem, "and we should not shrink from the name or be untrue to the trust. Properly interpreted, it means that the people do

**Tuesday, May 13th—General Meeting.**

1. Bactericidal and therapeutic actions of chaulmoogra oil in leprosy and tuberculosis. E. L. Walker.
2. Aviation medicine—illustrated by War Department films. Henry Horn.

**Tuesday, May 20th—Section on Surgery.**

The Surgical Section held its meeting at the Letterman General Hospital, where the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel E. G. Northington, and his staff, demonstrated cases of interest to civil surgeons. After the meeting a supper and smoker were held.

1. Principles of treatment of shoulder joint after injuries and wounds; case demonstrations. Lieut.-Col. W. I. Baldwin.
2. Plastic amputations; case demonstrations. Major Leo Eloesser.
3. Bone grafts for the restoration of defects in bone; case demonstrations. Captain Sylvan Haas.
4. Weak and painful feet; case demonstrations and corrective appliances. Lieutenant T. J. Nolan.
5. Congenital absence of radius and thumb. Captain F. P. Topping.
6. War and the psychoses. Captain G. E. Meyers.
7. Arterio venous aneurism of arm; case demonstrations. Captain F. N. Chessman.
8. Operative treatment of peripheral nerve injuries; case demonstrations. Lieutenant Colonel H. C. Naffziger.

**Tuesday, May 27th—Section on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.**

1. Presentation of cases. (a) Angioma of middle ear. W. B. Stephens. (b) Sarcoma of naso-pharynx. Henry Horn.
2. Use of homatropine in refraction. Percy Sumner.
3. Some unusual cases of glaucoma. Hans Barkan.
4. Some experiences in the Army. H. A. Fletcher.

**SAN DIEGO COUNTY.**

The Southern California Medical Society recently held in Riverside was liberally attended by San Diego doctors, who reported a profitable and enjoyable time.

The League for the Conservation of Public Health seems to be steadily gaining members and support throughout San Diego County.

The dinner meeting of the County Society held at the San Diego Hotel May 13 was entertained by a delightfully informal talk on medicinal observations in France by Robert Preble, Lieut. Col. M. C., U. S. A., of Chicago. Dr. Preble speaks from the viewpoint of the internist, with a freedom and vividness of sketching that makes for real entertainment.

The second meeting of the Society in May was featured by informal talks by Drs. T. O. Burger, A. E. Banks and E. A. Frauer, all of whom have recently returned from France.

The next meeting will be devoted to reminiscences of medical practice in the early days of organized medicine in San Diego county, the honor guests of the evening being all men who have practiced therein in the past quarter of a century.

The second meeting in June will take the form of a dinner and dance at the Point Loma Country Club, to which all members are expected to bring their ladies.

Dr. J. F. Grant has received his honorable discharge from service at Rockwell Field and resumes his practice as oculist with offices in the American building.

Dr. John C. E. Nielsen is taking a course at

the Trudeau School of Tuberculosis at Saranac Lake, N. Y.

The Society has adopted the policy of discontinuing meetings for a summer vacation during the months of July and August.

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.**

On May 30 at the call of Dr. Samuel Robinson a few interested physicians met at Dr. Robinson's home where a Journal Club was formed, the officers of which are as follows:

President, Samuel Robinson, M. D.; Secretary, C. S. Stevens, M. D.; Librarian, R. W. Hartwell, M. D.; Censors, Rexwald Brown, M. D., R. Manning Clarke, M. D., C. S. Stevens, M. D.

The Club will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

**TULARE COUNTY.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Tulare County Medical Society was held at Hotel Johnson, Visalia, June 1. About twenty-five members were present to enjoy the dinner and welcome back a number of their members who have been away on Government service.

Dr. W. W. Richardson of Los Angeles presented the principal paper of the evening on, "The treatment of some fractures by mobilization and massage."

The Kings-Tulare counties joint tubercular sanitarium was opened at Springville June 6 with a basket picnic to which the public were invited. Mrs. E. M. Tate-Thompson representing the State Board of Health was present and made an address. A number of talks followed by those interested in the different aspects of the work.

**Notice****SOCIETY MEETING.**

The Pacific Coast Oto-Ophthalmological Society will hold its annual meeting in San Francisco, August, 4, 5 and 6. Many important papers are promised for the program. Address all correspondence to the Secretary, Dr. A. S. Green, Shreve Building, San Francisco, Cal.

**Red Cross Snap Shots**

The following facts will show the rapid and tremendous growth of the Red Cross in its expansion from a domestic relief organization to a world-wide war relief agency:

The first enrollment in December, 1917, brought the Red Cross membership to 22,000,000.

The second fund drive during the week of May 20 to 27, 1918, was oversubscribed by millions above the hundred million asked for. Contributions to the second war fund drive totaled \$180,623,106, more than 88 per cent. of which has been collected.

At the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1918, 8,512 persons were employed in an administrative capacity at National, Divisional and Foreign headquarters of the Red Cross. More than 8,000,000 volunteers served in the 700 canteens.

Forty thousand persons were engaged in Red Cross Home Service Work, and the amount expended for relief each month ranged from \$177,000 to \$315,000.

By the end of the fiscal year the Red Cross, being a recruiting agency for the Army and Navy Nurses Corps, had enrolled 20,530 nurses.

An idea of the extent of the work undertaken by the Red Cross mission to Greece may be gained from the fact that on one day 126 carloads of refugees, containing 7,150 persons, were provided with 12,500 rations. On another occasion, at Tynovo-Siemen, 1,500 refugees were given rations, the sick

## VOCATIONAL STUDY OF TUBERCULOSIS.

A vocational study of tuberculosis is being made for the purpose of obtaining information of the various experiments that have been tried in institutions in the country that have been at all successful in employing arrested cases of tuberculosis. "Fortunately," said Mrs. E. L. M. Tate Thompson, Director of the Bureau of Tuberculosis, "this State can offer two splendid examples of work of patients. Arequipa Sanatorium, in Marin county, for working girls, maintains an open air pottery. The girls are paid for their work, and at present are filling an order for decorative tile. The Barlow Sanatorium, outside of Los Angeles, is another semi-philanthropic sanatorium, whose patients work as part of their cure when they are well enough. A great deal of practical work, such as gardening and building of walks, is being done."

"The public must be prepared to accept these patients back into industrial life," continued Mrs. Thompson. "There is no doubt but that last year there were very many men discharged with tuberculosis; and it was most discouraging attempting to place them in positions they had held formerly."

"The man who is cured of tuberculosis has learned his lesson and, from a public health standpoint, is an asset to a community. Compare him with the man who wants his windows closed, who is careless in his habits, and the problem of vocational study simplifies itself."

In an address, delivered before the recent New Jersey Joint Conference on Tuberculosis, Krause, of the Johns Hopkins Medical School, attempts a review of the anti-tuberculosis movement and indicates how our measures of prevention and control should be supplemented and enlarged so as to square with the shifting point of view that the newer knowledge of the disease of the last ten years has brought us.

Not all the diminution in the tuberculosis mortality rate may be ascribed to our intentional efforts. Much is undoubtedly due to the broad social and economic movements that have brought about better living conditions. Since the application of the Pirquet test we have learned that tuberculous infection is practically

universal. It is therefore at least questionable whether efforts at prevention and control should be too largely concentrated on the prevention of infection. Infection, of itself, is of comparatively minor importance. It is the development of infection into clinical disease, into manifest tuberculosis—that we are really concerned with and should make every effort to prevent.

Krause pleads for a better appreciation of this phase of the situation and asks for renewed effort for the expenditure of money without let-up, for what amounts to the unremitting and universal education of physicians and laymen in the truths of tuberculosis, and for a broadening and intensification of the work of the National Tuberculosis Association. He concludes:

"Nor is there room in the anti-tuberculosis movement for a single note of discouragement. The pessimists among us can be only those who are deficient in grasp and breadth. Civilization and tuberculosis are contemporaneous; the number of the tuberculous and the number of civilized beings are almost coequal; therefore, to despair of tuberculosis is to despair of civilization. A graft that is as much a part of us as is the development of our ethical sense cannot be lopped off in a day; but it can be kept from flowering and bearing fruit. And until we can wage direct warfare on the germ, to keep it in the seed should be our main purpose."

Krause, Allen K., *Anti-tuberculosis Measures*, American Review of Tuberculosis, 1918, Vol. 2, No. 10.

## New Members

Fletcher, Harold A., San Francisco.

Wood, Neal N., Los Angeles.

Magan, Wellesley P., Covina.

Thurber, Packard, Los Angeles.

Murray, J. T., Los Angeles.

Waters, O., Long Beach.

May, H. Cameron, Los Angeles.

## Deaths

Dalton, John C., a graduate of the Starling Medical College, Ohio, 1874. Licensed in California, 1901. Died in Pasadena, Cal., May 19, 1919.

Freeman, Gideon M., a graduate of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., 1870. Died near San Jose, Cal., June 10, 1919.

Smith, H. W., a graduate of Rush Medical College, 1870. Licensed in California, 1880. Died in Folsom City, Cal., at the home of his daughter, Dr. L. Etta Farmer.

## A PRESCRIPTION

### How to Kill a County Society

1. Don't come.
2. If you do come, come late.
3. If too wet or too dry, too hot or too cold, don't think of coming.
4. Kick if you are not appointed on a committee, and if you are appointed, never attend a meeting.
5. Don't have anything to say when you are called upon.
6. If you attend a meeting, find fault with the proceedings and work done by other members.
7. Hold back your dues, or don't pay them at all.
8. Never bring a friend whom you think might join the society.
9. Don't do anything more than you can possibly help to further the society's interests; then, when a few take off their coats and do things, howl, "This society is run by a clique."